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Hongkong, November 1, 1874.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, January 81, 1880.

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Full Particulars will be given on Application.

Hongkong, January 23, 1880.

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Quarts.....\$16 per Case.
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MEYER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, August 21, 1879.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE, and during the absence of Mr. W. H. RAY from the Colony, Mr. E. GOLDSMITH has been appointed Acting SECRETARY to the Company.

H. H. NELSON,
Chairman.

Hongkong, February 21, 1880.

NOTICE.

WE Have THIS DAY authorized Mr. CARL VON PUSTAU to sign our Firm by Procuration.

PUSTAU & CO.

Hongkong, February 25, 1880.

NOTICE.

M. R. N. C. STEVENS is hereby authorized to sign our Name by Procuration at AMOY, the Power held by Mr. ELWELL CHASING from this Date.

RUSSELL & CO.

China, February 8, 1880.

NOTICE.

THE INVESTOR and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. LEONARD STANL in our Firm ceased on the 1st December last.

Mr. F. C. DUTTER is authorized to sign our Firm per Procuration.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1880.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879.

NOTICE.

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By N. B. DENNYS, Ph.D., F.R.G.S.

Price, Half Bound, \$100.

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Hongkong, February 12, 1880.

NOTICE.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use

of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NOTICE.

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For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

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H. H. NELSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

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Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

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Hongkong, February 21, 1880.

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Hongkong, February 4, 1880.

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Hongkong, December 27, 1879.

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Hongkong, February 7, 1880.

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Hongkong, February 23, 1880.

Intimations.

5th DRAWING.

Chinese Imperial Government Loan 1877.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at par, on the 20th of February next, when the Interest thereon will cease, were this day Drawn at the Offices of the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, 31 Lombard Street, E.C., in the presence of Mr. GEORGE HENRY BURNETT, Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

1146 Bonds Nos.:—

10	1620	3232	4337	0451	8064	9072	11272	12886	14409
25	1628	3244	4345	0461	8070	9078	11297	12907	14548
38	1650	3252	4347	0467	8076	9085	11300	12914	14532
48	1678	3249	4348	0473	8091	9084	11302	12923	14535
61	1672	3276	4344	0497	8119	9093	11307	12924	14549
80	1693	3295	4303	0516	8132	9073	11349	12930	14573
95	1708	3213	4319	0536	8148	9075	11356	12937	14580
105	1715	3226	4303	0540	8153	9073	11361	12941	14592
126	1728	3214	4344	0558	8166	9076	11384	12955	14603
132	1748	3255	4368	0578	8182	9071	11389	13007	14621
151	1765	3361	4377	0582	8193	9082	11413	13029	14644
168	1774	3284	4393	0600	8207	9088	11420	13040	14655
178	1782	3349	5010	6112	8220	9093	11441	13054	14672
188	1800	3408	5023	6127	8243	9084	11453	13073	14677
200	1810	3417	5030	6140	8253	9061	11476	13090	14694
222	1821	3482	5041	6156	8263	9072	11483	13094	14704
237	1847	2462	5163	6173	8276	9086	11493	13111	14721
243	1861	3471	5075	6181	8201	9013	11513	13122	14729
264	1871	3476	5195	6104	8204	9017	11527	13146	14745
268	1889	3500	5107	6202	8218	9038	11544	13157	14761
290	1896	3514	5110	6224	8238	9054	11566	13161	14778
296	1906	3523	5122	6238	8252	9065	11586	13181	14790
319	1931	3549	5145	6261	8271	9080	11589	13189	14803
320	1940	3560	5164	6268	8286</td				

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

1 p.m.—Ocidental & Oriental S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.
3 p.m.—Nestor leaves for Shanghai.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

BIRTHS.

At Kiukiang, on the 17th Feb., the Wife of G. Luxon SINTRON, Commissioner of Customs, of a Son.

On the 29th, Feb., at the British Vice-Consulate, Shanghai, Mr. CLEMENT F. R. ALLEN, of a Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.55 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEB. 28, 1880.

REVIEW.

An Index to Dr Williams' "Syllabic Dictionary," by James Acheson.

Members of the Imperial Maritime Customs staff are showing a decidedly statistical tendency in their literary work.

M. Piry counts up for us the exact number of times that each of so many hundred characters occurs in the Sacred Edit; and Mr Acheson follows with a laborious Index shewing us how each character in Dr Williams' Dictionary is pronounced or should be pronounced according to the system of Sir Thomas Wade.

It is difficult indeed to define the principle upon which Dr Williams' spelling is based. "A general average" of a number of dialects is scarcely correct, although this definition conveys a pretty fair popular notion of what his system is.

We think the following will be about correct. When the Chinese dictionary-makers began to cast about for principles on which to base a dictionary system, they discovered that the various languages of China differed from each other in a more or less regular way; and dividing each word into an initial and a final, they arranged a system of initials and finals which would take in the maximum number or the sum of all initials and finals in each and every dialect. Any one who has studied Dr Chalmers' new system, which takes in the Cantonese, will see at a glance how incompletely this was done, and how much bias there was in favour of the dialects north of the Great River. Dr Williams' has apparently accepted these initials and finals because, in addition to suiting pretty well the "mandarin" dialects, they are mostly available for the Cantonese, (though not so completely so is Dr Chalmers' system); with which he was best acquainted. Mr Wade's system is admirable in so far as it teaches the student to speak (to use a parallel) Dutch well—taking Amsterdam to be the Peking of the German plain, but it compels students to "plump" one way or the other. The old race of mandarin speakers, following the Chinese double syllable system, spoke neither high nor low "German," but a mixture of both, which mixture was more or less reflected in the various dialects—which were neither high nor low. The question then was, is it better to speak the fashionable low dialect perfectly, or to speak the mixture? Sir Thomas Wade gives his own reasons for recommending the former course to modern students; and, without re-opening the question, we think he is right. But students who have their cake cannot eat it too, and, consequently, as soon as ever they leave Peking, they find themselves in the quandary from which Mr Acheson now offers to release them.

It is perhaps a question whether the game is worth the candle;—whether the huge labour expended by Mr Acheson is counterbalanced by the profit which students will derive from his book. But that is a question for Mr Acheson, not for the students. The candle is provided at the moderate price of \$1.50, and Pekingese students can make their game more comfortably after the expenditure of that sum. After using Mr Acheson's book for a week or two, an intelligent student should be able to group his characters, initials and finals, without Mr Acheson's assistance: the dents and the stupid ones, however, are those who will be the most regular worshippers at Mr Acheson's shrine.

Sir Thomas Wade, in placing the initial

at the end of all the 's, probably reflected that 's and 's were pure and simple consonants, and, consequently, had nothing more than an arbitrary connection with 's and 's respectively. To, however, is not a pure and simple consonant, but a combination of two, so that the same reasoning cannot apply with equal force. Mr Acheson, reasonably enough, perhaps, follows the simple plan of placing his initials as they occur in the English alphabet, and on the whole, we think this system is the easiest for English students of Chinese.

We look with extreme suspicion upon Mr Acheson's new syllable *jue3*, [居]. Certainly, Dr Williams gives us a Pekingese sentence in which the word

is said to mean "crumpled," but that is by no means conclusive proof to us that such a sound exists: we shall therefore keep our eye steadily fixed on *jue3* until a genuine Pekingese turns up. But those are three sounds not given in Wade's Syllabary, viz.; *chi3*, *chi3*, *chi3*; *mei3*, *mo3*, [目]; and *lung3*, [龙].

It is safe to say that the popular or regular pronunciation of not more than 5,000 characters at the outside is fixed in any dialect; certainly so in Pekingese, which is spoken by perhaps the least learned of all Chinese. Above this number, the pronunciation is arrived at in the case of genuine Pekingese, by simply making the best result possible out of the 反切 system, and, in the case of sojourners in Peking, by following with a change, when necessary, to suit the Pekingese ear! the sound taught by the teacher of one's youth. This fact it is important to remember, and this fact may be easily verified by any one who will take the trouble to do so. Consequently the majority of Dr Williams' sounds are not natural, but *couplets* and so are the majority of Sir Thomas Wade's, we suspect, or, at least, the majority of the excess over 5,000; and so, certainly, Mr Acheson's sounds when not found in Wade, but modified to suit Wade supporting them were found in Wade.

But Mr Acheson's professions are modest, and he has done well what he has professed to do.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next Franco-Malay may be expected here or about Wednesday next, the 3rd or 4th, by the M. steamer *Leopold* date to the 23rd ult. are brought on by this opportunity.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.), that the S. S. *Ventura* left Singapore for this port yesterday (27th).

A PARADE and Inspection of the Volunteer and Government Fire Brigades will take place at the Central Fire Brigade Station at 4.30 p.m. on Monday, the 1st proximo. The alterations in the Postal Rates consequent on the abolition of the Southampton route, with other changes made quite recently, embodied in the postal notices we give elsewhere to-day; these cancel all previous notices.

H.M.S. *Tyne*, 2, iron and store ship, Commander John E. Stokes, left this morning for England. On weighing anchor the ship steamed round the man-of-war anchorage and processed westwards through the shipping, the crews of the *Iron Duke* and *Victor Emmanuel* manning yards and giving the usual farewell cheer. The Bands of the flagship and *Richmond* also gave a passing tribute of Godspeed. She takes with her Naval and Military passengers who have completed their tour of service in China, some of whom leave pleasant recollections and kind memories behind them, notably the Rev. J. Henderson, Staff-Commander Heather, R.N., and Surgeon-Major Pollock, A.M.D.

In the description we gave yesterday of the proceedings in the Legislative Council meeting held on Thursday morning we did not attain, we are told, to that true and faithful record which is the aim of the historian and the journalist. We made, it seems a much better speech for the Hon. the Senior Mercantile Member than he was able to make for himself. Indeed the present does not appear to have been one of the Hon. Member's happy appearances. There was a suggestion parading the whole movement that the senior of the "three really independent unofficial members" had forgotten his lesson, and in this instance, as is often the case in other farcical performances, the prompter was a painfully active member of the company. It was pity the thing leaked out in the way it did. If true Art is the concealment of Art, successful deception requires the careful and complete concealment of the fact that there is juggling going on. Mr Hennessy made, we are told, a much better speech than we gave him credit for; we readily believe this and only regret that no shorthand writer had an opportunity of being present. He did not put the weight on the Surveyor General's presence at the Council table which we were led to believe, although, as the head of the great spending Department of the Government, there can be no doubt that his counsel is invaluable in the Legislature and greatly to be desired in the Executive. Nor did he, we are now told, specifically mention the Harbour Master as the Official for whom the sixth official seat was intended. There is, of course, no doubt that the Harbour Master will fill that seat if the Governor's recommendation is adopted, and this being so well understood and mentioned to us as part of his speech when he really did not say so, proviso only that the whole question has been well taken over by Mr Hennessy and certain of his advisers before the question was raised. What H.E. did lay emphasis on was the great commercial interests yet unrepresented in the Council, particularly the interests of the great trade between India and China. These interests, it might be taken from his speech, although he did not say so in so many words, it would be his duty to bear in mind, and to appoint a representative for those valuable interests was no doubt one object of all this display of bungled preparation. Public opinion points to the promised addition to the present "three independent unofficial members" coming in the person of "the Hon. E. R. Bell." *Verbum sapit.*

Hongkong Races, 1880.

THIRD DAY.
Saturday, February 28.

Stewards.—His Excellency John Pope Hennessy, C. M. G.; His Excellency Major-General Donovau; Commodore Smith, R.N.; Lieutenant-Colonel Geddes, 27th Infantry; The Hon. W. Kewick; The Hon. P. Kyrie; and Messrs. H. Lowcock, A. Coxon, H. Hopius, W. H. Forbes, J. H. Scott, and T. Jackson; Mr. R. H. Sandeman, (Hon. Treasurer); Mr. L. B. Friend, (Clerk of the Course).

Mr. H. Hopius, Clerk of the Seales; Hon. P. Kyrie and Mr. A. Coxon, Starters; Mr. R. Shephard, Judge.

The third day's sport was spoilt to a very great extent by the weather. Rain last evening, and again during the night, brought the Course into a state of mud, that rendered good work impossible, and deprived man and beast alike of any pleasure in it. Every race that was run made the Course still more greasy, and the poor ponies must have found it very hard going.

The racing was very good and close, and the interest of those on the course in the races going on did not seem to flag in the slightest. The attendance to-day was very small, not much more than one half the number on the ground yesterday, turning up on the third day. The Exchange Plate went to *Wild Echo*, *Bellyne* second. The Challenge Cup was a capital race, Mr. Pyle's *Driving Cloud* coming in the winner, *Braw Chiel* second, and *Filon d'Or* third.

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